* set up women police cells in police stations and exclusive women police stations and ensure wider recruitment of women Police Officers.
* provide institutional support to the victims of violence
* provide counseling to victims of rape
* take measures to eliminate trafficking in women. States have also been advised to constitute State Advisory Committees to advise on trafficking matters
* train police personnel in special laws dealing with atrocities against women.
* setting up of Fast Track Courts
* setting up of Family Courts
* appointment of Dowry Prohibition Officers and notification of Rules under the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961

Wives abandoned by husbands

2874. SHRI S.K. KHABIR UDDIN AHMED: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there are many cases in different States where husbands have abandoned wives and living abroad;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is no comprehensive act to bring back the erring husbands to India; and

(c) if so, the proposal of Government to save the interests of the unfortunate girls and their children?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) It has also been informed by the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs that a draft information booklet for the guidance of women planning to get married to overseas Indians had been circulated to the State Governments concerned in October, 2005. Based on the suggestions received, a fuller version of the draft Booklet had been prepared and a

national consultation was organized on 18.2.2005 in New Delhi. The purpose of consultation was to take into account all the perspectives and practical experiences to be reflected in the booklet.

The National Commission for Women has taken up the issue of NRI husbands abandoning their wives as a priority area during the year and conducted two regional workshops at Chandigarh and Thiruvananthapuram.

The Government of Punjab has informed that an NRI Cell has been set up in the Office of Director General of Police, Punjab to provide legal aid and counselling services for the prospective brides.

Inclusion of creches in ICDS

2875. SHRI BALAVANT ALIAS BAL APTE:
SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to restructure and strengthen the ICDS to include provision of day care/creche facilties in pre-school education;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) There is no such proposal under consideration at present.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Low birth rate of female child

2876. SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the birth rate of female child is alarmingly low in spite of Government taking several steps;